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Postal Service Rates to Rise Next Month

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Phone Tokens Cost More Today

The price of tokens for use in pay telephones has gone up from 10 agorot to 15 agorot as of today. Three old style 50 pr. tokens may also be used in their place.

In pay phones, that have been adapted to the use of new 10 agorot pieces, the user will be required to deposit two 10 agorot pieces for every local call or for the basic charge in ordering out of town and foreign calls.

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Danish Premier Due In January

The Danish Prime Minister, Mr. Viggo Kampmann, has accepted Mr. Ben-Gurion's invitation and is to visit Israel with Mrs. Kampmann from next January 10 to 18, it was announced in Jerusalem early this morning. The invitation was extended in June, after Foreign Minister Golda Meir's visit to Denmark.

Mr. Kampmann, 51, is an experienced politician in the Danish civil service, statistics and taxation departments, he became head of the Government Economic Secretary, President of the Royal Mortgage Bank of Denmark and then Minister of Finance. He became Prime Minister in February, 1962 on the death of Mr. M. C. Hansen. In last year's elections he increased his party's vote but was still compelled to rule in coalition with the Radicals.

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In our present closely-linked wages policy salary increases granted to employees by the Government evoke a chain of reactions throughout the civil service and in turn in the entire economy. This was one of the causes of the disruptions in essential services such as the Railway and Postal services during the past year. Within this framework the Histadrut has chosen the best way to encourage workers in productive occupations to do more and to endeavour to maintain wage differentials at their present level. The chaotic situation as regards many categories of government employees might be eased with the aid of Mr. Meshel's scheme to create a permanent contractual framework for all workers, which would be reviewed every two years. It might make for less violent shocks to the system than the present method of apparently permanent scales that are periodically upgraded under pressure and threat of strikes.

Up to now there has been a total lack of objective criteria for civil servants' wages which simply rose as the result of other categories of workers succeeding in improving their position. The proposed biannual civil service contract would also provide for a panel of agreed arbitrators before whom disputes could be brought.

This would be a revolutionary step in view of previous bitter union opposition, but it would be hedged around with the provision that the panel would operate only during the term of the contract's validity.

Further, Mr. Meshel's announcement that at elections will be held for the first time within the elected councils in place of the appointment of officials will not only help improve labour relations in government offices but also put teeth into union democracy, where the party key has too long ruled supreme.

The recent apparent break-down in communications between the Histadrut leadership and rank and file which resulted in the upsurge over membership fees increase will have to serve as a warning to Mr. Meshel and his colleagues. The best-devised programmes will operate in a democratic society only when an informed public recognises them and is ready to carry them out. Any new scheme now proposed will have to be studied at grass-roots level in works and office committees and generally approved before it is applied. This is a necessary revolution, and one that might restore labour stability and improved relations, both of them become extremely urgent.

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Task of Zionist Movement Far from Finished—Goldmann

NEW YORK (Reuter).—To believe that the Zionist movement has fulfilled its major task by having brought about the creation of the State of Israel is a shortsighted and dangerous illusion, by many, both in Israel and the Diaspora," Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Zionist Organization, told a Zionist Organization of America dinner Tuesday night.

The dinner marked the 14th anniversary of the passage by the U.N. Assembly of the resolution establishing the State of Israel.

The State is established and flourishing but the two major problems which will determine its future and its historical destiny are far from solved," Dr. Goldmann said.

President Ben-Zvi yesterday visited the Central Zionist Archives where he was received by the State Archivist, Dr. A. Ben.

The Yugoslav Ambassador and Mrs. Yose Zemljanik gave a reception last night at their residence in Jaffa on the occasion of the Yugoslav National Day.

Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim yesterday received Mr. Eliyahu Elath.

Mr. Antonio Carioni, Counsellor at the Italian Embassy, will speak on "Florence and the Medici" under the auspices of the Israel-Italy League at the Sheraton Hotel at 8:30 p.m. today.

Mr. Itzhak Levy will speak on "An Israeli Journalist in Mexico" before the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club, 8:30 p.m. today.

Phone Book's Poor Binding 'a Mistake'

POST Knesset Reporter

The poor binding on the new telephone directories was a mistake on the part of the Government. Post Minister of Posts Eliyahu Sason told the Knesset yesterday. He was replying to questions by Mr. Yosef Shofman (Herut) and Mr. Baruch Uziel (Liberals).

Mr. Sason said that after 60,000 copies of the directory had been distributed, the Ministry became aware of the poor binding, and 10,000 copies still in stock were returned for rebinding. This stock had been meant for public telephone booths and for use in telephone boxes.

Subscribers whose directories fall apart from over-frequent use may exchange them for re-bound copies as long as they are available. Mr. Sason said.

Postal Rates

(Continued from Page One) abroad will be raised by three agros. These increases will come into effect on January 1.

The airmail rate will not be changed.

Ordinary surface mail abroad will go up by from three agros to 20 agros. The price of postcards and printed matter will remain the same.

Local telegrams will go up from 70 agros to 11.1 for the first 10 words and from 60 to 90 agros for congratulatory telegrams.

There will be no change in the rate for cables abroad.

The rates for airmail, post and cable proportionately, with increases for locally published books and records being somewhat less. There will be no change in rates for parcels sent abroad.

Telephone Charges

All local calls will go up from 8.5 agros to 10 agros, with the 20 per cent defence surtax applied to the new price. This will also apply to inter-urban calls which are automatically recorded at the exchange. These increases will come into effect as of tomorrow December 10.

Inter-urban calls placed through operators will also go up proportionately, by about 17 per cent, and will come into effect on December 10.

The charge for installing a telephone and the bi-monthly rental charge will not be changed. It is understood that the new rates will remain in force until the end of the following fiscal year (March 1962) also affects the present telephone installation and rental charges, despite rumours of a rise in the installation charge.

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House Rejects Motions On Killing of Five Arab Youths

POST Knesset Reporter

The flags of Nepal, Nigeria, Liberia, Ethiopia and Sierra Leone, as well as the Union Jack — representing Kenya, Malaya, South Africa and Rhodesia — occupied a place of honour in the main Lecture Hall of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School on Tuesday when 17 African students (including one girl from Nigeria) were welcomed on the eve of their starting medical studies at the School.

The first motion was submitted by Mr. Emil Habib (Communist) and the second by Mr. Ya'akov Hazan (Mapam).

Mr. Habib said that the two questions linked by Mr. Hazan were entirely unconnected. If a debate was wanted on the problems of Arab youth, that should be presented on its own merits. And if there were differences in the extent of education between Arab youth and Jewish youth, there were also wide variations between various sections of the Jewish community in this respect.

With regard to Mr. Habib's motion, the Prime Minister noted that the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee had devoted two meetings to the subject. It had issued a statement saying that the men were shot while trying to infiltrate into the Gaza Strip and that the rules of conduct of the state were sterner than those of the Knesset.

There was no support for either motion by any party other than those of the respective sponsors.

Mr. Habib said that the circumstances of the shooting of the youths should be given the best that the School could offer in the way of medical education.

Prof. Jack Gross, who is chairman of the Medical School's committee dealing with students from developing countries, stressed that the students would be given the same high level instruction as their Israeli colleagues.

The ultimate aim was not only to train doctors but also teachers of medicine, and he hoped that among the group were some who would be sufficiently attracted to turn to this vocation.

"We have no expert knowledge," Mr. Habib said. "All that we have is an abiding concern shared by millions of people all over the world that the scientific skills of the students should be matched by political ingenuity to devise the means how to control them."

Mr. Habib said that in the face of the "Calamitous risks which the resort to force entails in the nuclear war," there was no safer national policy than the settlement of peace by pacific means, as provided for in the U.N. Charter.

The gathering then proceeded to the group's special teaching quarters at the School, consisting of two main laboratories, for ten and eight students respectively, a lecture and library room, teachers' rooms, etc.

For the first year and a half, the students will devote themselves to pre-medical studies in English, and in the laboratories have been so arranged that it will be possible to adapt them easily to the needs of all pre-clinical instruction, except anatomy.

In addition to their medical studies, which will be conducted in English, the African and Asian students will be taking intensive courses in Hebrew. Like all medical students they will also attend English courses, including English literature.

Survey Shows Trucks Under-Exploited

POST Knesset Reporter

The appointment of Rabbi Kalman Kahana (Pselef Agudat Yisrael) as Deputy Minister of Education was announced in the Knesset yesterday by Minister Mr. Abba Eban.

In answer to questions, Rabbi Kahana said that he had not been placed in charge of any specific duties in the Ministry but that as Deputy Minister and member of the Ministry's management, he would take part in its proceedings of opinion as to his duties in the Ministry.

A study just released by the Central Bureau of Statistics reveals that a quarter of all Israel's lorries did not operate at all during the week of the survey, and the average for 21,200 trucks during the first quarter of 1961 was four days' work a week.

The average number of runs during the week was 2 per lorry, comprising 390 kilometres. Half of the journeys were made without a load, and a third of the vehicles travelled less than 200 kilometres a week, without loads.

A high rate of utilization was shown for heavier trucks which operated for more days per week, and for longer trips.

The low rate of lorry utilization revealed by the survey gives new urgency to the Transport Ministry's project for organizing lorry transport centrally on a regional basis.

Replies to a question by Mr. Hanan Rubin (Mapam), Police Headquarters in Tel Aviv have rejected a suggestion by the Minister of Interior Mr. Moshe Haim Shapira, to issue a temporary permit allowing the Chamber Theatre to use its new premises for a six-month period, it is learned from the Ministry spokesman.

The new theatre hall has been refused a licence because it does not conform to safety regulations.

To meet police requirements, the theatre would have to let go of a central aisle, doing away with some 70 seats. Present thinking among some specialists, however, is that a central aisle is not necessary and may in fact, during an emergency, constitute a bottleneck.

However, the Ministry considers that the regulations are to be obsolete, and a committee headed by Mr. David Kotler, of the Planning Division, has worked out a series of amendments to the existing legislation, which is practically no new building in Israel which does not conform to the present regulations.

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Only because of the shortage of beds for the mentally ill in the Acra citadel still being used as a hospital, Deputy Health Minister Yitzhak Rabin told the Knesset yesterday.

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BATTLES IN THE WORLD

UNITED NATIONS

Eighteen men and two women comprise Israel's delegation to the current General Assembly of the United Nations. The delegation is smaller than in previous years, since it includes no Members of Knesset.

The delegation's work is divided in broad terms into two parts. The first is behind the scenes: meetings with other delegations and there are now 102 of them, explaining Israel's position on Arab refugees and other bread and butter questions. The second part — and this is the subject of this brief resume — are the public speeches and votes of the Israel delegation on the 100 odd items of the Assembly's agenda. This is the battlefield of peace on earth, good will to men.

The delegation's work begins at delegation meeting every morning convened at nine o'clock sharp by Ambassador Michael Comay, head of the delegation when Mrs. Meir is not here, and does not end until many hours after the last cocktail has been consumed at a diplomatic reception. During the first two months of the Assembly there have been dinner parties and diplomatic receptions almost every evening, after which the delegates were free to spend some time in the office reading and answering mail or preparing a speech for the following day. Since mid-November there have been evening meetings almost every day in an attempt — probably vain — to finish the long agenda by December 20.

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Ambassador Comay, Israel's permanent representative to the U.N., with Mr. Shabtai Rosenzweig, Legal Adviser to the Foreign Ministry, at a U.N. debate.

delegations may at any time attack Israel no matter what subject is on the agenda.

The old joke about "the elephant past before the ostriches" goes on, with the ostriches' paws grasped by the elephant's tail, halting the discussion.

Answering these attacks is necessary but often a futile gesture. The Arabs usually manage to get in the last word — there are so many of them for one thing, and the press office, President of the Assembly Magdi Slim of Tunisia, has not been a model of impartiality.

The other night at an evening plenary session on the subject of colonialism, Dr. Muhammed H. El-Farra of Jordan declaimed on "the colonial invasion of Palestine." For an Arab the word "colonial" probably means Comay would not have bothered to reply, but he was scheduled to speak that night and because other Arabs during this debate had been consumed at a diplomatic reception. During the first two months of the Assembly there have been dinner parties and diplomatic receptions almost every evening, after which the delegates were free to spend some time in the office reading and answering mail or preparing a speech for the following day. Since mid-November there have been evening meetings almost every day in an attempt — probably vain — to finish the long agenda by December 20.

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to get the floor again at this point, he probably would not have been recognized, but even if Mr. Slim had given him the floor, most of the sleepy-eyed delegates would have preferred the prolongation of the debate. The session adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

Women Delegates

An earlier exchange had taken place that afternoon in the Third Committee between Mrs. Shulamit Nardi of Israel and Mrs. Hazmi Fekini of Libya. Though the subject under discussion was the same, the report of the Economic and Social Council, Mrs. Fekini suddenly began reading a clipping from "The New York Times" describing conditions of the Arabs in Israel. She skipped over the paragraphs which told of their political and economic gains but read into the report the fact that many of Israel's Arabs lived under military rule, had no civil courts and suffered job discrimination.

Mrs. Nardi replied that Mrs. Fekini had "grossly misquoted" the "Times" report and that if the Libyan delegate would pay a visit to the U.N. she would find the economic situation now reigning in the Arab villages.

Mrs. Fekini, excusing her right of reply, said that she was only quoting from "The New York Times," a newspaper which, in her opinion, had always favoured the Zionists.

The women delegates may have been politer than their male colleagues, but the outcome was no more positive. Arguing publicly with the Arabs in every committee of the Assembly, you feel like a skin-diver with only a few seconds of air left in his tank facing a row of octopi. The diver has neither enough time nor enough spears to take them all on.

(This is his first of two articles.)

INTO THE JUNGLE



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JOHNSON REPORT

Haboker (Liberal), commenting on the fact that changes were made in the Johnson report at the request of the Arabs, writes: "The passive attitude of our Foreign Ministry, in contrast to the aggressive activity of the Arab States, caused us another defeat. Even if we were to agree that the changes in the Johnson report do not have any practical significance, Dr. Johnson's very willingness to surrender to the Arabs at the beginning of his work arouses serious anxiety and indicates the dangers awaiting us as the discussion on the subject continues."

Hanomia (National Religious) writes: "The changes in the Johnson report, indicate the readiness of Dr. Johnson and the American Government that supports him, to surrender to Arab pressure and blackmail and to what extent to the Arabs. The Arab delegation, you feel like a skin-diver with only a few seconds of air left in his tank facing a row of octopi. The diver has neither enough time nor enough spears to take them all on.

Herut, commenting on the statements made by General Dragunski and other Soviet spokesmen, writes: "There is

no point in arguing with them particularly in view of the fact that while they are trying to clear the Soviet regime of the charge that it is persecuting Jews, reality serves to disprove their statements. We are certain that the leaders of the regime know that... arrests and even torture are sometimes necessary to keep the masses in line. The millions of Jews to join their brethren in their historic Homeland."

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) writes: "The changes in the Johnson report, indicate the readiness of Dr. Johnson and the American Government that supports him, to surrender to the Arabs at the beginning of his work arouses serious anxiety and indicates the dangers awaiting us as the discussion on the subject continues."

Hanomia (Agudat Yisrael) writes: "It is impossible to know why the Soviets have decided to renew their campaign of repression against Jews at the time when regulations affecting other peoples and nationalities are being relaxed. But it appears that the Soviets fear that the relaxations will arouse feelings hidden in the Jews."

David (Histadrut) says that the plan of the Minister of Agriculture for the development of Arab and Druze villages "will undoubtedly be warmly received by all Israelis, and not only by those directly affected." After mentioning the many projects already carried out to develop the villages, the paper adds: "Despite the considerable amount that has been accomplished, it is still very little in comparison to the needs that remain. The development work that has been carried out until now and the plan now being developed are a convincing answer to the unending and mendacious statements of the Arab representatives in the 'ghetto' of the Arab world, the 'ghetto' that Israel has supposedly established for her Arab citizens."

It may not be possible within one generation to turn every Israeli into a lover of animals, but it should not prove totally impossible to restore a respect for our ancient teachings which laid down admirable rules of conduct for the care of animals, as a letter in an adjoining column points out. Kicking a dog, throwing stones at a cat, beating unmercifully the small patient donkey — all reveal a primitive sadism which must be controlled by law in a progressive society. And in the field of legislation of this kind, Israel lags shamefully behind. For any-

MARGINAL COMMENT

A DOG'S LIFE

By Fay Doron

one who thinks that this is pointless sentimentalism in a world where animals are slaughtered for food, and even humans not treated too well, let them ask any psychologist: A child that learns consideration for a helpless animal will graduate naturally to regard for helpless humans. One that enjoys torturing a dog or cat, will ill-treat smaller children as well, and anyone else weaker than himself.

WHAT the Animal Protection Societies would like to see, apart from instruction in the schools, is the enactment of a proper Animal Code designed to bring some humanity into the handling of animals. The law should not only define maltreatment but should permit the police to act swiftly by levying on-the-spot fines whenever they are called in to deal with brutality.

Cruelty to animals is not confined to the "little boy who ties an old tin can to a dog's tail or who amuses himself by shooting at a bird with his catapult. Draught animals are badly overloaded, beaten and harnessed over 20-30. Proper legislation would require such animals and their carts to be licensed. Again, though it is necessary in a country where rabies is endemic to control stray dogs, this should be done in a humane manner. Stray animals should not be shot out of hand in the public view, nor should poison bait be laid so indiscriminately that domestic pets are found dead. This could be avoided by a sane rabies policy. There should be some regulation of the trade in stray cats which are caught for experimental purposes and there should be control over the manner in which these animals are treated before reaching the laboratories. These are but a few of the measures which need to be taken.

LOVE me, love my dog" may not be a reasonable norm of behaviour to expect from people for whom a barking dog may have once heralded a pogrom. But at least we can attempt over the years to nurture in our children if not affection for animals, then at least a regard for the unprotected that is a sign not of softness, but of strength.

Jerusalem, November 30.

Protein-Pecking Chickens Prefer Soya

By DAVID KRIVINE

EXCEPT for Vitamin C, chickens need much the same nutrients as human beings, including protein, and the cheapest source of protein is the soy bean. This explains why the joint hosts to a seminar on Poultry Husbandry held this week in the Tadmor Hotel are the Soybean Council of America (Israel Office) and the World's Poultry Science Association (Izrazi Branch).

Fish meal is also a cheap protein, but loses some of its nutritional value when deodorized for human consumption. The soy bean is so important

and the U.S. Most of the participants are Israelis, spare, bony, and plainly familiar with the experience of getting up before sunrise. Soyatam a soy extract liquid, available in Israel for infants, that the Arabs have a major let-down: the yolk became snow-white. It emerged, however, that eggs laid by hens fed on soy have yolks that are too yellow. So the orange peel recipe will not be wasted after all...

to the under-nourished areas of the world that a network of international organizations are bending all efforts to fostering its consumption. Yet supply still lags behind. The biggest producer is the U.S., which is encouraging farmers to grow soy beans and other food surpluses, by raising the minimum support price to \$2.30 a bushel. As 700 bushels have been harvested this year in the States, the value of this output would be \$1.600,000 — except that the market price is running in fact well ahead of the \$2.30 minimum.

Chief customers for the crop are not human beings, but chickens. This is no loss, since the chicken is a bird that is eaten by human beings. The hen's menu is complex, and has been discussed scientifically in papers delivered at the Herzliya seminar. Diet sheets for the barnyard even vary (slightly) according to whether the object is to eat the chicken or the egg.

Large numbers of the rare

countries that have made the consumption of soy protein practically compulsory by law. Of all the bread, brown, white, hala-crumbled by readers of *The Jerusalem Post*, 30 per cent consists of soya. During the drought two years ago, a special soya bread, containing 10 per cent soya, was issued to Bedouin of the Negev. Blue Band is marketing two products containing 10-15 per cent of soya — a dry mix for falafel, and a combination of humus and tahina. A plate that contained soya beans which looked almost exactly like baked beans, only rounder, was laid on the high table at the seminar luncheon last Tuesday. This reporter found them succulent — very much like Heinz baked beans, only less fussy in taste and slightly sweeter.

Among the persons that took a spoonful was Dr. G. F. Combs, Professor of Poultry Nutrition at Maryland. University experts also have more nutrition which he has investigated at the head of missions in Ecuador and Korea. He believes that the seminar is proving to be of exceptional value, because it is of a comfortable size, neighbourly, intimate, and deals with the immediate problems of the participants.

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The letter contained in the letter received by *The Jerusalem Post* as a reply to an article which appeared in September in the Mapam organ "Al Hamishmar" as the latter has failed to publish Mr. Bastuni's reply. The author of the article in "Al Hamishmar," Mr. David Washitz, dealt with a letter published in *The Jerusalem Post* shortly before the last elections, in which Mr. Bastuni explained his reasons for leaving his party and withdrawing from politics in general.

Among the charges made by Mr. Washitz was that

Mr. Bastuni had declared himself in favour of the Lands Consolidation Bill. The Mapam correspondent also described as "libel" Mr. Washitz's statement that Mapam had wished to set up an Arab-language daily with funds raised in the U.S. by Mr. Washitz for the purpose of setting up a youth club.

Mr. Washitz claims that

Mr. Bastuni, is seeking active politics, was seeking to advance his own career.

In his letter of reply to *The Jerusalem Post*, Mr. Bastuni writes:

"Mr. Washitz' article in "Al Hamishmar" on September 28, 1961 requires a reply... not because of the personal insults leveled at me but because it is an attempt to screen the activities of certain persons in Mapam's Arab department during the past year.

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